

House Resolution 10 - Introduced

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 10

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1 A Resolution honoring the over 200 years of peace,
2 prosperity, and kinship between the peoples of
3 Canada and the United States, and recognizing March
4 15, 2017, as Canada Day at the Iowa Capitol.

5 WHEREAS, Canada and the United States share a
6 5,500-mile border, the world's longest unmilitarized
7 border, over which 400,000 people cross between the
8 countries every day; and

9 WHEREAS, our two nations share a peaceful and
10 democratic heritage which spans centuries; and

11 WHEREAS, with these shared traditions, values, and
12 heritage our two nations have fostered one of the most
13 successful international relationships in the modern
14 world; and

15 WHEREAS, acting as partners in peace and allies in
16 war, for over 100 years Canada and the United States
17 have stood together, promoting mutual prosperity and
18 fighting tyranny and terrorism in a partnership that
19 remains resolute today; and

20 WHEREAS, the United States is Canada's largest
21 export market, with two-way trade in goods and
22 services between the nations totaling almost \$700
23 billion in 2015, or approximately \$1.9 billion every
24 day, reflecting the deep integration of our nations'
25 economies; and

26 WHEREAS, the relationship between Canada and
27 Iowa is equally strong, consisting of a complex and
28 growing network of social, economic, and even familial

1 ties; and

2 WHEREAS, it is estimated that over 100,000 jobs
3 in Iowa are supported by trade and investment with
4 Canada; and

5 WHEREAS, Canada is Iowa's top export market, with
6 the latest estimates of Iowa exports to Canada valued
7 annually at \$3.8 billion and the latest estimates
8 of Iowa imports from Canada valued annually at \$2.8
9 billion; and

10 WHEREAS, Iowa exports to Canada include steel
11 products, oilseed cake and meal, organic chemicals,
12 air conditioning and refrigeration units, and
13 tractors, while Iowa imports include natural gas, oils,
14 fertilizers, live animals, and steel products; NOW
15 THEREFORE,

16 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, That
17 the House of Representatives honors the relationships
18 between the peoples and the governments of Canada,
19 the United States, and Iowa, friends and neighbors
20 in peace, allies in war, and partners in economic
21 prosperity; and

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That in honor of our strong
23 and growing relationship, the House of Representatives
24 recognizes Wednesday, March 15, 2017, as Canada Day at
25 the Iowa Capitol.